

SSIC background and objectives

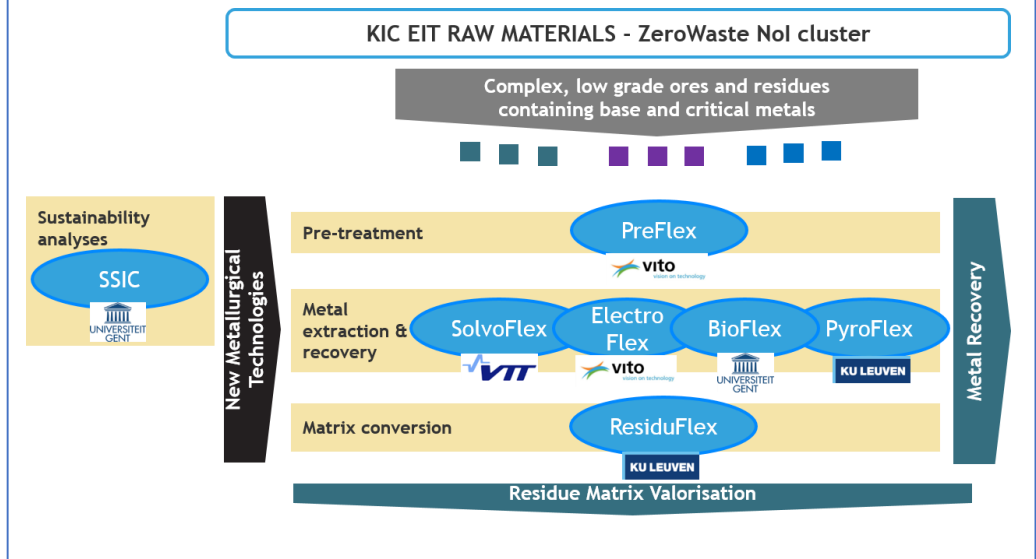
The **SSIC** aims at **supporting and facilitating sustainable technological development and educational activities** by making use of the sustainability assessment toolbox

The Network has gathered partners with **complementary expertise** and is therefore the **central contact point** for industry and technology developers when it comes to questions regarding **sustainability analysis in different sectors**;

- from resource extraction to product design and recycling
- from urban mining to green chemistry
- from separation techniques to policy support
- from nanotechnology to metallurgy
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Service delivery towards industry, technology developers and policy makers within and outside the **EIT Raw Materials**

SSIC Integration into The ZeroWaste Nol Framework



The SSIC partnership



Sustainability Support and Information Centre service delivery

“Exploration and Raw Materials Resource Assessment”: data management of raw material supplies, monitoring worldwide supply and demand evolutions, assessing criticality of raw materials, etc.

“Mining in Challenging Environments”: environmental and economic cost benefit and risk assessments, identifying social hotspots in foreign supply chains, etc.

“Increased Resource Efficiency in Mineral and Metallurgical processes”: material flow analysis (MFA), applying thermodynamic models and efficiency assessments on processes and supply chains, etc.

“Recycling and Value Chain Optimisation for End-of-Life (EoL) Products”: recyclability benefits, waste management scenario’s through Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) and Life Cycle Costing (LCC), developing EoL criteria, calculating critical raw materials retained in the EU economy, etc.

“Substitution of Critical and Toxic Materials in Products and for Optimised Performance”: toxicity assessments, upscaling and learning calculations, Environmentally Extended Input-Output Analysis (EEIOA)

“Design of Products and Services for the Circular Economy”: economic analysis (of profitability, job creation, etc.) of new business models, eco-design, developing support tools, stimulating industrial symbiosis systems through flow analysis, etc.